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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Support

SUBJECT

: New Proposed Solution for Improving Traffic to Virginia

Over Chain Bridge

- 1. This memorandum is for information only.
- 2. Pursuant to your request, the Chief, Real Estate and Construction Division (RECD) and the Executive Officer, RECD met with Mr. L. E. Brett, Jr., Resident Engineer, Virginia Department of Highways, on 19 June 1968. We recommended prohibiting through traffic over Chain Bridge onto Route 120 thereby permitting a continuous left turn from Virginia Route 123 over Chain Bridge as well as a continuous right turn lane up Route 123. We stressed the advantages to Virginia residents coming into Washington over Route 123 as well as speeding up District traffic onto Route 123. Mr. Brett pointed out that there could be major political ramifications, and he was not sure whether this particular proposal had ever been made before.
- 3. He agreed to refer this possible solution to the appropriate parties within the Virginia Department of Highways and to advise the Chief, RECD in the near future as to its possible use. He was advised that we were updating Mr. Fugate, Virginia Highway Commissioner, on recent developments on Chain Bridge and intended to not only thank Mr. Brett in the letter but would indicate he was investigating a possible new solution to the problem. Although we attempted to get Mr. Brett to present this proposal as his idea, he was careful not to commit himself on this point.

4. We will advise you as further developments occur.

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